

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN  
TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC IMMEDIATE 4950  
INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT LEBANON PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY PARIS FRANCE PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV ISRAEL PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAMA 1544

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS : PROP, SOPN, XF

SUBJECT : POSSIBLE USE OF ANTI-BEGIN MATERIAL IN U.S. MEDIA

1. AS DEPT MAY ALREADY BE AWARE, JULY 7 "INTERNATIONAL"  
EDITION OF AN-NAHAR, PUBLISHED IN PARIS WE BELIEVE, REPRO-  
DUCED A LETTER PURPORTEDLY SENT TO NEW YORK TIMES ON  
DECEMBER 4, 1948 RPT 1948 PROTESTING VISIT TO U.S. OF  
MENACHEM BEGIN, LETTER SIGNED BY THEN LEADERS OF U.S.  
JEWISH COMMUNITY, INCLUDING ALBERT EINSTEIN.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER SHOWED THIS EDITION OF AN-NAHAR TO  
AMBASSADOR JULY 16 AND SAID HE, FONMIN, "WOULD NOT BE  
SURPRISED" IF LETTER APPEARED SOON IN SOME U.S. PAPERS  
AS PAID ADVERTISEMENT.

3. TEXT OF LETTER WAS REPRODUCED IN ENGLISH ON FRONT PAGE  
OF PAPER, WITH PORTION OF DECEMBER 4, 1948 NYT MASTHEAD  
ALSO REPRODUCED IN ENGLISH. NAMES OF PURPORTED SIGNERS,  
HOWEVER, APPEARED IN ARABIC ONLY IN STORY NEXT TO TEXT.  
TEXT OF LETTER ATTACKED BEGIN AS "NAZI" AND "FASCIST" WHO  
HAD ORDERED MURDER OF DEIR YASSIN VILLAGERS WHO WERE  
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DESCRIBED AS INNOCENT OF ANTI-JEWISH ACTIVITY.  
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## Message Attributes

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